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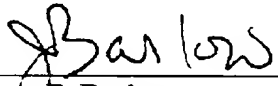
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO (Fax. No. 703-872-9318) on this date: 17 October 2003
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AMENDMENT OF MAY 27 2003**

Sir:

The applicants filed an amendment on 27 May 2003. The applicants received the office action mailed on 8 July 2003 and assumed that it took the amendment of 27 May 2003 into account. When preparing a response to the July 8 office action, it was discovered that the examiner did not consider the amendment of 27 May 2003, even though the office action was mailed in July, much later than the time of the May 27 amendment. The May 27 amendment was filed much earlier than the time during which the office action was prepared and should have been before the examiner. Therefore, the applicants respectfully request a supplemental office action that takes into account the amendment of 27 May 2003.

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Respectfully submitted,


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